

State of South Dakota

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1028

Introduced by: The Committee on Health and Human Services at the request of the
Department of Human Services

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain requirements for the provisional
2 certification of interpreters for the deaf and revise certain authority to promulgate rules
3 concerning certified interpreters for the deaf.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

5 Section 1. That § 1-36A-10.5 be amended to read as follows:

6 1-36A-10.5. Any person may be certified if the person is certified by, and in good standing
7 with, at least one of the following and the Department of Human Services finds such
8 certification has met minimum competency standards as established by rules promulgated
9 pursuant to chapter 1-26:

- 10 (1) Certified by the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf;
- 11 (2) Certified by the National Association of the Deaf;
- 12 (3) Certified by the Educational Interpreters Proficiency Assessment with a score of at
13 least 3.5; or
- 14 (4) Certified by the Department of Human Services prior to July 1, 2006.

15 A person certified pursuant to subdivision (4) may continue this certification only if the



1 person completes ~~one hundred twenty-five~~ eighty continuing education ~~units~~ contact hours every
2 ~~five~~ four years, remains in good standing with the department, and registers annually with the
3 department. Any person certified pursuant to this section shall register annually with the
4 department.

5 Section 2. That § 1-36A-12 be amended to read as follows:

6 1-36A-12. The Department of Human Services may promulgate rules pursuant to chapter
7 1-26 to establish continuing education requirements for individuals registered with the
8 department pursuant to subdivision 1-36A-10.5(4), to establish qualifications, continuing
9 education requirements, extension or exception options to continuing education requirements,
10 mentoring requirements, and requirements for an approved plan for provisional certification
11 pursuant to § 1-36A-10.4, ~~and~~ to establish qualifications for interpreters serving in medical,
12 educational, or legal settings, to establish a code of professional conduct and standard of
13 practice, and to establish a procedure for discipline.